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In connection with the programme for the Flag Hoisting Ceremony on the 15th August 1950, at the Red Fort, a question has arisen as to whether the Flag should be called the National Flag or the Union Flag. Similarly, whether the Salute to be given by the Parade to the Prime Minister should be called the National Salute or the Union Salute. Will the Ministry of Home Affairs kindly let us know the correct nomenclature?

'A'

'B'

Sd:

26.7.50.

Mr. Fateh Singh. (Ministry of Home Affairs)
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'A' above:- The Flag should be called the "National Flag" which is the term recognised by us.

'B' above:- This is a matter for the Ministry of Defence themselves to decide. But we would prefer the term "National Salute" as the term "Union Salute" may imply that there will be a separate "salute" for the parades to be held in the States.

Sd: F. Singh.
28.7.50
Deputy Secretary.

Ministry of Defence (Mr. Gangauli)
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